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A record concering our deceased sister Jemime Peas. who departed this life August 25th 1542 thursday morning half past 6 clock aged 73, years December past.

She was siesed with a shock, the 19th instant. P M about one o clock. On that day she went out of doors, and appeared to be more comfortable than comon. She was so violently seised that one side of her was helpless, and she could not speak one word plain, from that time until her death. She appeared to be very sick, and never took any nourishment accept what she drinked with a teaspoon. She could move one hand only, and was lifted from that time until her death. Instrument, Rachael Hall said at the time of her departure there were present the Saivor, Father William Father James Father Calvin, Mother Sarah Willard Allen, Elder Sister Jennett Sister Sarah Deming Huldah Hall, Lucy Robinson Nathan Tiffany, Caleb Peas, Memory Comestock, Polly Markham, Ruth Meacham.

Judith Colling, then said there were two hundred spirits assembled to witness the solemn scene. fifty eight spirits mached into the room, when her breath left the body they bowed as they entered and Jemmis spirit bowed to them; they were solemn but lively. They all united together, and as soon as her spirit was ready to take its flight, the Chariot drawn by four white horses, and their harness resembling gold chains, was

them waiting, received the spirit. Father William, Father James, Father Calvin, Mother Sarah, Mother Ann's Messenger, her guide, and guarding spirit and her little Angel of peace and love went with her in the Chariot, while the spirits marched on beside them to her mansion of rest, playing as they marched. They was very much pleased to see one of blessed Mother Ann's children, who had from the first to the last, one who has kept themselves free from every thing that is offensive to God and have washed their robe and made it white in the blood of the lamb.

She has now gone to rest from her labor and toil. Mother Ann said to her dear child, you are welcome to come and receive the reward of your labor.

August 26th 1842 at 9 oclock in the A.M. we assembled to perform our last duties to our aged sister Jemima Peas. She was very much beloved by all.

When we had assembled, Elder Brother, made one low bow after which we all united. There were four hundred spirits assembled to attend the funeral. Father Calvin stood between the head of the coffin and the Elders facing the speaker. At the head of the coffin on the left hand side, next the brethern stood Mother Sarah, on the right hand side stood the deceased Sister Jemima, at the foot of the coffin on the right hand side, stood Mary Southwick, and on the left stood Anna

B B Goodrich. Elder B Brother spake first saying we have assembled together upon a solemn occasion, and not unexpected. Let it serve to wake every one up, to sense how suddenly they may be taken and we ought to labor to be prepared to meet the change which is sure for every one. He said as to our deceased sister, she has gone with a hope that she may be received by her heavenly Father, and there is no doubt but what she will be and receive a glorious reward, She will bloom forth in Mother's garden, She will be a beautiful rose in the vineyard of the Lord. (When this was spoken Jemime smiled.) He said she was called in her youthful days by her Mother, and she has been a faithful cross bearer to the end of her days. Let every one of us labor to follow her example then it will be well with us when we have done with time &c. Then we sung the funeral song "O Blessed loving dear sweet one" &c Then we sung the following song, that she played herself the tuesday before she died.

Our lovely sister is gone to rest... In Mother's arms she lies,
Welcome dear child the Savior saith.. Receive a glorious prize;
The prize that is laid up for all, Who truly faithful prove,
Welcome dear child, your spirit shall, Be clothed with peace and love

Brother Joseph Wicker then spake saying. I feel myself standing between the inhabitants of the heavenly world and the inhabitants of the earth. The holy spirits have mingled with us on this occasion, and have united with us in this song. I think as to the life of our deceased sister, that we that are younger may feel encouraged to go on in the good way of God. she was called as has been said, by her Mother, in her youthful days, and she has been faithful. Let us pattern after her good example, which is meeness patience, kindness, love and charity, for many years she was in a trying place with less convenience than there is now yet she was kind and patient and has been faithful to the end.
Not that she has had no faults to labor out of, I glory in the fact that she had faults and has successfully taken up her cross against them and put them away, therefore we may feel encouraged also to be faithful. She had the same evil nature that the rest of us have but the great difference among believers is in being faithful to take a daily cross this makes the great difference between the faithful and unfaithful.
Notwithstanding her bodily sufferings her spirit has been alive in the things of God. She has been thankful for every gift of God that has been given her she even on a sick bed in her last sickness desired to hear something from the good spirits, and appeared

to be pleased when it was spoken to her about them. and she is now rejoicing with the faithful and just, in thankfulness that she has endured to the end of the race &C.

Elder Brother then desired we would labor for a gift to kneel down and pray to God for his protection while we remained here and enjoyed the comforts of this life. We also kneeled then we sung a solmen song then sung a song begining thus " How blessed are those who take up their cross &C Elder Brother then said, what a comfortable feeling it will bring to each one when we have done with time, if it can be truly said to us, as it can to our deceased sister, that we have borne our cross faithfully to the end, and our work is well done, I say what a blessed sound this will be to each one of us So it stands every one in hand to be faithful and improve their time well for we know not the day nor the hour, when we will be called to leave this world.

One of the Instruments (M P) then said sister Jemime's spirit is here, and wishes to speak a few words if there is liberty. liberty being given she proceeded. My spirit is truly here and I feel thankful that I have got thro with my bodily sufferings.

I have been to Mother Ann's happy Mansion of peace and rest I feel happy and comfortable but a solmen awe rest upon my spirit. I am attended by four hundred spirits they are clothed

with angelic beauty and eternal brightness. I kindly thank the Elders, brethern and sisters for your kindness to me.
And I desire the beloved Elders, brethern and sisters would all receive my kind love, which we did very thankfully. She then said I kindly thank those sisters who attended me in my sickness for your kindness and faithful care, and I desire you would receive a good portion of my love. I have a rich store of blessed Mother Ann's love I have truly seen her and her beautiful Mansion.
Now I desire the beloved Elders, brethern and sisters may all receive blessed Mother's love, for I have received it right from her, we very thankfully received it with four low bows Jemima then asked if we did not want to send our love to Mother, we answered yea and gave it to her with 4 low bows she said I will bow four times very low and she will gladly receive it

We then attended to viewing the corpse as usual. When the procession marched on to the grave the four hundred spirits marched on each side of them, With the Holy Angel and the Savior to lead the band Father William, Father James, Father Joseph, Father Calvin, Mother Ann's Messenger, Mother Lucy, Mother Sarah, Elder Sister Jennett Sister Sarah Deming, rode in the Chariot with the deceased sister to the grave, After the corpse was let down into the grave we sung the

following song.

Farewell kind loving sister dear May Angels guide you to your home
And may they wipe off every tear, Of those who attend you to your tomb;
Farewell, farewell, farewell, well meet you soon.

Br, Joseph Wicker then thanked the brethern and sisters in behalf of the deceased and we then returned home. Jemime's spirit then said to an instrument (M V) I am now going to the house of order, there to learn the orders of the spiritual world, which every one have to do. I have seen Mother and she told me many pretty things that I should realize soon, and in three weeks I should see her again. She then returned with Mother Sarah, singing as they marched.

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